

CASHLINK II



The Future of Federal Deposit Reporting

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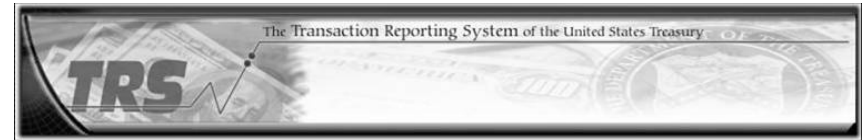


Change is underway in the Collections area

- **FMS is moving to new Enterprise Architecture for Collections**
- **CA\$HLINK II will sunset circa 2010**
- **Transaction reporting for receipts will centralize in the Transaction Reporting System (TRS)**
- **Deposit reporting will migrate from CA\$HLINK II to TRS**
- **Over-the-Counter deposits of cash and checks will migrate fully to TGAnet**



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Current Process - Over the Counter (OTC) Collections

- **Most agencies prepare paper Deposit Ticket (215) for OTC cash and checks and present to bank**
- **Bank confirms/adjusts and enters deposit into CASHLINK II**

There is a growing number of agency pioneers already using TGAnet for OTC cash and checks

- **Plastic card and converted checks at point of sale/collection follow different route as outlined for other collections below**



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Current Process - Other Collections

- **Fedwire Deposit System and REX – detail is in CASHLINK II, which creates deposit reports**
- **All other deposits –**
 - **Banks summarize detail and enter as deposit reports into CASHLINK II**
 - **Banks send transaction detail separately to agencies**
 - **A variety of media is used – i.e., file transmission, CDs, and paper reports**



Current Process - Bottom Line

- **Detail on cash receipts comes from multiple sources in multiple formats**
- **Detail is often sent separately from the deposit information**
- **Agencies must reconcile cash receipts to deposit reports in CASHLINK II daily**



Current Process - Bottom Line

- **There is generally no central accounting information in CASHLINK II or in the cash receipts detail**
- **Agencies must submit monthly reports (SF 224, 1219/1220, 1218/1221) to Treasury classifying deposits to Treasury Account Symbols (TAS)**
- **EFT disbursements are recorded as debit vouchers in CASHLINK II – mingled with true deposit activity in central accounting reconciliations**



Future Process – OTC Collections

- **All available detail on cash receipts at the point of sale/collection will be in TRS**

This includes plastic card, converted checks (PCC-OTC) and OTC cash and checks, where available

- **OTC detail will be accumulated and sent to TRS from a future OTC channel application**
- **In the interim, feeders to TRS will be PCC-OTC, the new Plastic Card bank, and TGA net for OTC cash and checks**



Future Process – OTC Collections

- **TRS will create/finalize deposit reporting for all of these systems**
- **TRS will provide OTC detail (where available) and deposits along with other collections to agencies**
- **When CA\$HLINK II sunsets, TGA net will be the only option for reporting OTC cash and check deposits into TRS**

Migrate to TGA net now!



Future Process – All Other Collections

- **Banks will send detail collection transactions to TRS**
- **TRS will**
 - **receive detail transactions at various stages in their lifecycle**
 - **reflect status (initiated, settled, deposited, concentrated, etc)**
 - **summarize detail to create deposit reports**



Future Process – All Collections

- **TRS will**

- **provide detail and associated deposit record to agencies on at least a daily basis (*Integrated Transaction and Deposit Report*)**

- **provide detail across all collection mechanisms in a single standard format (*Standard XML Transaction Schema*)**

This format will be harmonized with other Government financial transactions as well as reports (i.e., USSGL)

- **retain the financial aspects of collections detail, as well as summary deposit records, for an extended period in a data warehouse**



Future Process – All Collections

- **TRS will provide**
 - **views of collection activity at levels beyond ALC (above or below)**
 - **views of collection activity based on viewer criteria (i.e., by ALC, bank, settlement mechanism, region, office, collection system, status, etc.)**
 - **business intelligence capabilities enabling FMS (and agencies) to analyze and manage collections more efficiently**



Future Process – All Collections

- **TRS will**
- **create subtotals based on agency Classification Keys (or agency accounting codes in TGA net) to help GWA classify deposits to TAS**
- **report deposits to GWA and provide supporting detail for deposit entries in the GWA Account Statement**



Future Process – All Collections

- **TRS will NOT:**

- **Retain program data beyond a limited time horizon. Agencies must retrieve and manage it in their own systems**
- **Be an accounting system. Where central accounting information arrives with the original collection/deposit, TRS will record the initial classification**

Subsequent reclassifications to different TASs will not be reflected in TRS. Agencies must use GWA Account Statement for the definitive record of TAS classifications



Future Process – Benefits

- **Single touch point for all detail collection activity**
- **More streamlined reporting and better analysis through data warehouse and business intelligence features**
- **Flexible reporting formats accommodating various business needs, transaction volumes and technical capabilities**

E.g., user download to local workstations for low volumes, file transmissions for high volumes, message-based information for real time information (i.e., Fedwires)



Future Process – Benefits

- **Improved security for receivables information by helping to eliminate mailed CDs and paper reports**
- **Transaction lifecycle statuses allowing for preliminary view of next day's deposits**
- **Integrated Transaction and Deposit Report, easing burden of reconciling cash receipts with Treasury's official deposit records**
- **Standard XML data format harmonized across all collections mechanisms and dovetailing with Federal Enterprise Architecture data models and standards**



Future Process – Benefits

- **Views of transactions and deposits beyond ALC (both higher and lower), eliminating sub-optimal workarounds in current model**

e.g., coded voucher numbers in CA\$HLINK to distinguish deposits belonging to independent offices sharing an ALC

- **Compliance with new GWA requirements for daily TAS classifications.**

This requires establishment of and coordination with agencies' Cash Flow Profiles in SAM.



Agency Take-Away Items

- **Work with SAM implementation team (FMS and FRB St Louis) on identifying Classification Keys and Cash Flow Profiles**
- **Migrate all OTC cash and checks from paper 215's to TGAnet ASAP**
- **Use the GWA Account Statement to view central accounting classifications for deposits**



Agency Take-Away Items

- **Prepare your data intake processes for the single touch point/ single format model**
- **Prepare for revised reconciliation of cash receipts to deposits**
- **Prepare for revised reconciliation of agency TAS classifications to the Account Statement at Treasury.**





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